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SUBJ: GUATEMALA PRESIDENTIAL SUMMIT MEETING

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1. I HAD A CONVERSATION WITH FOREIGN MINISTER BORGONOVO ON DEC 23, IN WHICH HE FILLED ME IN ON HIS IMPRESSIONS OF THE MEETING IN GUATEMALA, FROM WHICH HE HAD JUST RETURNED, BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES' PRESIDENTS, FOREIGN AND DEFENSE MINISTERS. BROGONOVO CHARACTERIZED THE MEETING AS "EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL."

2. BORGONOVO SAID THAT ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL TOPICS DISCUSSED WAS BELIZE. HE SAID THE GUATEMALANS ASKED FOR AND RECEIVED THE POLITICAL AND MORAL, BUT NOTE THE MILITARY, SUPPORT OF THE GOES. BEFORE THE DISCUSSION OF THE GUATEMALA MEETING, I HAD BRIEFED BORGONOVO ON THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE ANGOLA SITUATION ALONG THE LINES CONTAINED REFTEL. THE FONMIN, REFERRING TO THE GRAVITY OF THE ANGOLA CONFLICT, SUGGESTED THAT IT
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MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR THE USG TO POINT OUT TO THE PARTIES

INVOLVED IN THE BELIZE DISPUTE THE INHERENT DANGER IN ANY SITUATION INVOLVING MILITARY INTERVENTION, I.E., WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN ANGOLA AS THE CONFLICT SPREADS, SEEMINGLY OUT OF ANYONE'S CONTROL.

3. BORGONOVO MENTIONED THAT OTHER SUBJECTS DISCUSSED AT THE CHIEF OF STATE MEETING INCLUDED: (A) A COMMITMENT TO FULL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION RELATING TO TERRORISM/SUBVERSION; (B) AND AGREEMENT TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE POSSIBILITIES OF AN INTER-CONNECTING ELECTRICITY GRID TO INTEGRATE THE ENERGY PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES; (C) ANOTHER AGREEMENT THAT THE RIO WHICH FORMS A PART OF THE FRONTIER, PAZ/IS A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL NATURAL RESOURCE FOR WHICH A BILATERAL COMMISSION WILL BE FORMED TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES OF MAXIMUM UTILIZATION; (D) AGREED TO SIMPLIFY AND FACILITATE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CROSSING THE BORDER/BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES TO PROMOTE TOURISM.
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